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## Series Reflections

The following is a quote from Marlin Magazine:

“NOAA Fisheries’ Division of Highly Migratory Species, the regulatory body for billfish, swordfish and other highly migratory species, began a twofold survey of both tournament operators and participants in March 2016 that will run through February 2017. The survey is important to the entire recreational-fishing community because it will allow the government to directly attribute the amount of socio-economic benefit generated by tournament anglers. Participation is completely voluntary, but contributing to the survey is vital to its success. NMFS will send surveys to the tournament directors of all registered HMS tournaments. NMFS will randomly select about half of these tournaments to survey the participants fishing in each event as well.”

I couldn't have said it any better myself! This effort is also strongly endorsed by the Billfish Foundation. I spoke about the survey in depth at the Georgetown awards ceremony, however most of the fleet was not present due to an approaching tropical storm. Both the Georgetown and Bohicket events were randomly selected for fishing teams to fill out the online survey. Unfortunately, because of a lapse in communication, the information for participating in the survey was not handed out in the respective tournament boat bags as requested. Because of the significance of the survey, I am asking if your boat participated in either or both of these events, that you take the time to complete the survey, or have someone from your group complete it. The survey is completely anonymous. A direct link for the survey itself is available at <http://www.hmsanglers.com/>. For more information about what the study is trying to accomplish can be found by following the NOAA link below: [http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/compliance/tournaments/main/hms\\_participant\\_survey.pdf](http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/compliance/tournaments/main/hms_participant_survey.pdf).

Only one survey should be filled out per boat per tournament. We will also be contacting those of you who participated directly in the coming days to try to make sure

## 28th Annual SC Governor's Cup Billfishing Series 2016 Tournament Schedule...

### May 11 - 14

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### Carolina Billfish Classic

### May 25 - 28 49th Annual Georgetown Blue Marlin Tournament

Contact: John Horton  
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### June 1 - 4 Bohicket Marina Invitational Billfish Tournament

Contact: Bryan Richardson  
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### June 29 - July 2 MEGADOCK Billfishing Tournament

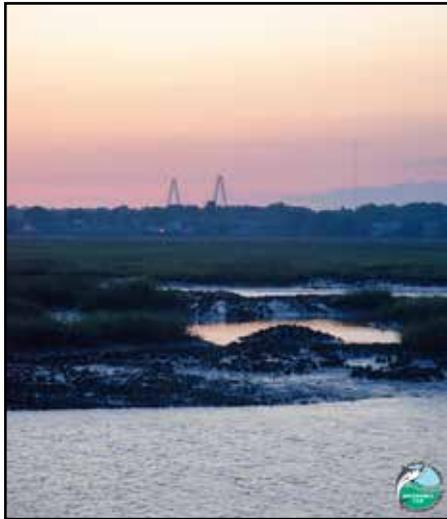
Contact: McKenzie Hutaff  
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Charleston, SC, 29402  
(843) 278-4920, FAX (843) 577-7704  
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### July 20 - July 23 Edisto Invitational Billfish Tournament

Contact: Brian Bell  
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that information from South Carolina is included in the results. Thank you for your help with this matter.

On another note, it is hard to believe that by the first week of June over half of this summer's SC Governor's Cup Series tournaments have been completed. This year the tournament organizers chose to give the wildly popular Big Rock Tournament a wide berth and scheduled events to completely avoid any potential conflicts, including travel time. That said, the first three events went by in a blur with Rascal winning the Carolina Billfish Classic, Game On winning Georgetown and Anticipation winning Bohicket. At present, Sportin' Life leads the Series with consistent performances at each event followed by Game On, Rascal and Anticipation. A complete summary follows in this newsletter, and remember to follow us on social media for real time updates and live scoring! Remember to check out our website, <https://www.govcup.sc.dnr.gov> under the links for Catch and Point Summary, our Facebook page (South Carolina Governor's Cup Billfishing Series), and this year we also started an Instagram page! You can follow us at SCGovernorsCup and this link: <https://www.instagram.com/scgovernorscup/>. Thank you to all of our followers, and as a reminder, if you would like an electronic PDF of this newsletter sent to your email, be sure to send us your address through the Series webpage!

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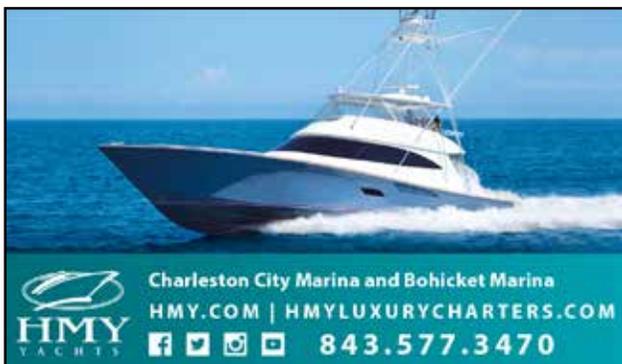
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## Awards Summary: CBC - Georgetown - Bohicket

AWARD	CBC	GEORGETOWN	BOHICKET
Outstanding Billfish Boat 1st Place	<i>Rascal</i> Owner: Norman Pulliam and Foster McKissick Captain: Mark Rogers 2 blue marlin released 1200 points	<i>Game On</i> Owner: Bubba Roof Captain: Trey "Cricket" McMillan 2 blue marlin released and 1 landed 1678 points	<i>Anticipation</i> Owner: Paul Coury Captain: Harvey Shiflet 6 sailfish released 1200 points
Outstanding Billfish Boat 2nd Place	<i>Sportin' Life</i> Owner: Manly and Graham Eubank Captain: Bobby Garmany 1 blue marlin and 1 sailfish released 800 points	<i>Sportin' Life</i> Owner: Manly and Graham Eubank Captain: Bobby Garmany 1 blue marlin and 3 sailfish released 1200 points	<i>Syked Out</i> Owner: David Sykes Captain: Dan Woody 3 sailfish released 600 points
Outstanding Billfish Boat 3rd Place	<i>Electric Bill</i> Owner: Chad Sanders Captain: Chad Sanders 2 sailfish released 400 points	<i>Caramba</i> Owner: Bob Faith Captain: Dale Lackey 1 blue marlin, 1 white marlin and 1 sailfish released 1100 points	<i>Voodoo Child</i> Owner: Dale Daly Captain: Geoff Rosenberry 1 white marlin and 1 sailfish released 500 points
Outstanding Billfish (landed)	N/A	<i>Game On</i> Owner: Bubba Roof Captain: Trey "Cricket" McMillan Angler: Kelli Ann Roof 477.2 pound blue marlin 478 points	N/A
Outstanding Billfish Conservationist	<i>Rascal</i> Owner: Norman Pulliam and Foster McKissick Captain: Mark Rogers 2 blue marlin released 1200 points	<i>Game On</i> Owner: Bubba Roof Captain: Trey "Cricket" McMillan Catch: 2 blue marlin released 1200 points	<i>Anticipation</i> Owner: Paul Coury Captain: Harvey Shiflet 6 sailfish released 1200 points
Blue Water Conservation	<i>Caramba</i> Owner: Bob Faith Captain: Dale Lackey Tag and release of 2 dolphin 100 points	N/A	N/A



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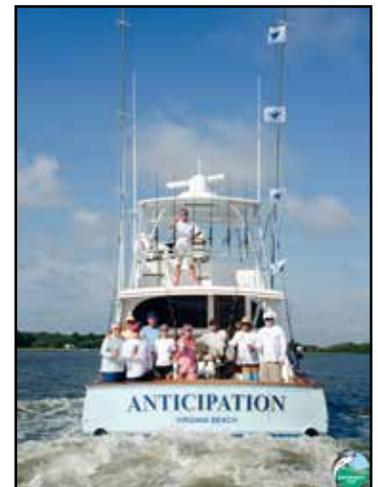
AWARD	CBC	GEORGETOWN	BOHICKET
Outstanding Dolphin	<i>Reel Passion</i> Owner: Bill Ingram Captain: Gary Richardson Angler: Champ Smith 36.7 pounds	<i>Gryphon</i> Owner: Colby Griffin Captain: Chucky Moore Angler: Chandler Griffin 46.0 pounds	<i>Home Run</i> Owner: Steve Mungo Captain: Grant Bentley Angler: Mario Vargas 49.5 pounds
Outstanding Tuna	<i>Mister Pete</i> Owner: Bob and Rusty McClam Captain: Alan Neiford Angler: Terry Caulder 9.3 pound blackfin	<i>Artemis</i> Owner: John Darby Captain: Legare Smith Angler: Jay Dowd 16.2 pound blackfin	<i>Sportin' Life</i> Owner: Manly and Graham Eubank Captain: Bobby Garmany Angler: Tommy Farella 15.7 pound blackfin
Outstanding Wahoo	<i>At Last</i> Owner: Ed Parrish Captain: Tyler Neal Angler: Adam Parrish 22.5 pounds	N/A	<i>Caramba</i> Owner: Bob Faith Captain: Dale Lackey Angler: Bob Faith 22.2 pounds
Outstanding Female Angler - 1st Place	<i>TIE* Syked Out and Sea Tiger</i> Owners: David Sykes/Jerry Smith Captains: Dan Woody/Jerry Smith Anglers: Holly McAlhany/Casey Hallman 28.4 pound dolphin	<i>Game On</i> Owner: Bubba Roof Captain: Trey "Cricket" McMillan Angler: Kelli Ann Roof 2 blue marlin released and 1 landed 1678 points	<i>Syked Out</i> Owner: David Sykes Captain: Dan Woody Angler: Holly McAlhany Catch: 3 sailfish released 600 points
Outstanding Female Angler - 2nd Place	N/A	<i>El Tejano</i> Owner: John Hill Captain: David Redd Angler: Kathy Baxley 27.2 pound dolphin	<i>Mutts &amp; Jeff</i> Owner: Tom Stanek Captain: Tom Stanek Angler: Jenn Haugen 1 white marlin released 300 points
Outstanding Female Angler - 3rd Place	<i>Reel Passion</i> Owner: Bill Ingram Captain: Gary Richardson Angler: Jordan Marley 25.6 pound dolphin	<i>Daymaker</i> Owner: Bobby Krivohlavek Captain: Bobby Krivohlavek Angler: Abby Lee 24.2 pound dolphin	<i>Daychanger</i> Owner: Nick Macpherson Captain: Nick Macpherson Angler: Emory Macpherson 26.6 pound dolphin

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AWARD	CBC	GEORGETOWN	BOHICKET
Outstanding Youth Angler - 1st Place	<i>Gryphon</i> Owner: Colby Griffin Captain: Chucky Moore Angler: Chandler Griffin, Age 13 28.1 pound dolphin	<i>Rascal</i> Owner: Norman Pulliam and Foster McKissick Captain: Mark Rogers Angler: Graham Rogers, Age 12 2 sailfish released 400 points	<i>Voodoo Child</i> Owner: Dale Daly Captain: Geoff Rosenberry Angler: Sam Daly, Age 14 41.8 pound dolphin
Outstanding Youth Angler - 2nd Place	<i>Rascal</i> Owner: Norman Pulliam and Foster McKissick Captain: Mark Rogers Angler: Graham Rogers age 12 24.5 pound dolphin	<i>Micabe</i> Owner: Mike Larrow Captain: Chris Jennings Angler: Rance Jennings, age 11 1 sailfish released 200 points	<i>Reel Passion</i> Owner: Bill Ingram Captain: Gary Richardson Angler: Brian Ingram, age 11 31.4 pound dolphin
Outstanding Youth Angler - 3rd Place	N/A	<i>Can't Complain</i> Owner: Mullins McLeod Captain: Buddy Aimar Angler: Emily Aimar, age 15 1 sailfish released 200 points	<i>Salty Maintenance</i> Owner: Bill Truluck Captain: Bill Truluck Angler: Mackenzi Truluck, age 14 22.5 pound dolphin



Billfish Release Numbers					
Tournament Name	Number of Boats	Blue Marlin	White Marlin	Sailfish	Total Released
CBC	24	3	1	4	8
Georgetown	38	8*	4	15	25*
Bohicket	19	0	2	19	21
*2 of these were landed					54





Top Series Boats	Points
Sportin' Life	2275
Game On	1703
Rascal	1650
Anticipation	1475
Caramba	1375
Daymaker	1225
Electric Bill	1075
Micabe	875
Miss Wy	750
Syked Out	675



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 Attention SC Billfish Anglers!  
 Please report released billfish caught in SC waters throughout the 2016 fishing season. It's never too late to report a fish caught earlier this year! To report billfish releases or request billfish release cards, Please contact Amy Dukes at 843-953-9365, or email [dukesa@dnr.sc.gov](mailto:dukesa@dnr.sc.gov). The winning boat will receive a special award to be presented at the end of the 2015 fishing season. Good Fishing!



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